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friendly amendments but I would adopt...ask for adoption of these committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Cullan on the committee amendment.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, Senator Haberman did an excellent job in describing the committee amendments so I have no further comments on those. I would move now the... my own amendments to the committee amendments and they have been distributed to the members of the Legislature. These amendments are relatively simple.

PRESIDENT: May we announce that there is an amendment then to the committee amendment.

SENATOR CULLAN: Okay. These amendments are relatively simple and they have six objectives. The first is a change in the definition of restoration. The amendments would move the restoration definition to the specific section of the act which creates the regulatory program for injection control wells, namely, uranium mining regulations. They also return the original concept of discussing suitable uses for resources rather than conditions of resources. This will allow the Department of Environmental Control more flexibility in designing a restoration plan. It is intended to require that individuals do not lose any options they may now have in using land or water. This is perhaps a controversial change. I am satisfied that it protects the interest of landowners in insuring that the quality of the water after any development is substantially the same as it was prior to any development and that I think is the objective that the State of Nebraska should have. That language has been worked out between myself and Wyoming Fuels. The second part of the amendments indicates that the DEC's power to charge permit fees to recover the cost of program is limited to direct cost so it is clear that the cost incurred by DEC, which are essentially of an overhead nature for creating a program will be borne by the state, while the cost incurred by the state in regulating the one applicant will be recovered through fees so that we could establish a fee mechanism to recover monitoring for monitoring of the activities and processing of the permits, so on and so forth. The third change makes it clear that ongoing permit applications will be processed during the...despite the fact that we are making changes in the statute and consequently changes in the rules and regulations will have to be made. We require the Department of Environmental Control to promulgate the rules and regulations quickly and we also make